GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RURAL DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1265
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AVAILABILITY OF DRINKING WATER
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Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has conducted any survey to identify the villages lacking quality drinking water;

(b) if so, the details thereof, State-wise;

(c) whether the Government has set up monitoring committees at the Centre and the State level to ensure the availability of quality drinking water in the rural areas;

(d) if so, the guidelines issued by the Union Government to State Governments in this regard; and

(e) the time by which all the villages in the country will get quality drinking water?

Answer

MINISTER OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (DR. RAGHUVANSH PRASAD SINGH)

(a) &(b): As per water quality survey conducted by States and reported in their Bharat Nirman Action Plan as on 1/4/2006, there were 1,95,813 habitations affected with various chemical contamination in excess of permissible standards in drinking water sources in the rural area of the Country. State-wise & contamination-wise details is given at Annexure-I.

(c) & (d): Government of India has also brought out guideline on `Revised Sub-Mission on Water Quality` to tackle water quality problems in the rural areas of the Country. As per these guidelines, the State Level Scheme Sanctioning Committees have to be formed to consider and approve projects for tackling water quality problems.

(e): Bharat Nirman Action Plan, envisages to address all water quality affected habitations by March, 2009.

Annexure - I

Annexure referred to in reply to Lok Sabha Unstarred Question 1265 due for repl
Water Quality habitations as on 01.04.2006 as reported by State Govts.

State/UT	Habitations Affected by						
	Fluo-ride	Sali-nity	Iron	Arsenic	Nitrate	Mult-iple	Total
Andhra Pradesh	1497	1058	0	0	0	0	2555
Bihar	383	0	21540	794	2000	0	24717
Chattisgarh	17	61	4932	11	0	0	5021
Goa	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Gujarat	2563	1528	0	0	838	0	4929
Haryana	119	72	0	0	0	145	336
Himachal Pradesh	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Jharkhaand	1159	0	129	18	1	41	1348
Jammu & Kashmir	0	0	47	0	0	67	114
Karnataka	5000	0	6633	0	4077	4460	20170
Kerala	34	86	564	0	78	105	867
Madhya Pradesh	3282	279	105	0	33	153	3852
Maharashtra	2748	1424	2491	0	4552	0	11215
Orissa	794	651	26136	0	0	435	28016
Punjab	588	1289	164	0	0	0	2041
Rajasthan	6992	4428	131	0	7693	12639	31883
Tamilnadu	452	61	68	0	104	735	1420
Uttaranchal	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Uttar Pradesh	2077	612	2375	0	11	1302	6377
West Bengal	665	811	11883	5408	0	0	18767
A & N Islands	0	0	16	0	0	10	26

D & N Haveli	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Daman & Diu	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Delhi	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Lakshadweep	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Pondicherry	0	65	17	0	0	0	82
Chandigarh	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	28370	12425	77231	6231	19387	20092	163736
NE States							
Arunachal Pradesh	0	0	353	0	0	213	566
Assam	660	0	23841	730	0	2950	28181
Manipur	0	0	37	0	0	0	37
Meghalaya	0	0	124	0	0	0	124
Mizoram	0	0	26	0	0	0	26
Nagaland	0	0	136	0	0	0	136
Sikkim	0	0	76	0	0	0	76
Tripura	0	0	2653	106	0	172	2931
Total	660	0	27246	836	0	3335	32077
Grand Total	29030	12425	104477	7067	19387	23427	195813